

Business Cards.

F. STURDY, House, Sign, & Ornamental Painter. GRAINER and PAPER-HANGER.

ROYAL HOTEL LIVERY STABLE. The subscriber begs to notify the public that he has purchased the above livery from Mr. Geo. W. J. Jenson, and will continue the business as heretofore.

CONNOR'S BILLIARD HALL, IN THE QUEEN'S HOTEL, GUELPH, OPPOSITE THE MARKET.

DOMINION SALOON. The tables supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner.

FRESH OYSTERS IN EVERY STYLE. The tables supplied with all the delicacies of the season in a first-class manner.

SODEN'S PUBLIC CAB. The subscriber having purchased Mr. D. Coffey's splendid Cab, begs to inform the public that it will be at their service at all times.

DUGNAN'S PUBLIC CAB. The subscriber begs to inform the people of Guelph that he has purchased a handsome and commodious Cab, which will always be at their service.

THE BEST HOTEL IN TOWN. CASEY ALWAYS JOLLY. The richest drinks, best table, most comfortable beds, nutritious company, and jolliest house in town at Casey's.

DR. ROBERT CAMPBELL, Licentiate of Dental Surgery. Established 1861. Office next door to the "Advertiser" office.

W. M. FOSTER, L. D. S., SURGEON DENTIST, GUELPH. Office over F. H. Harvey's Drug Store.

RAYMOND'S SEWING MACHINES. Family Sewing Machine, single thread. Hand Lock Stitch double thread.

CHARLES RAYMOND, GUELPH, ONT. July 12, 1871. Sole Agent for the Province of Ontario.

PARKER'S HOTEL, GUELPH. The best of Liquors and Cigars at the bar. JAMES PARKER, Proprietor.

MILLS, ROMAN & CO., CANADA HOUSE, General Commission Merchants and Shippers.

ONTARIO COAL YARDS, HUSTON & REID. Have on hand and receiving a large stock of Belknap, Ludlow and Western R.R. Coal.

THE FURNITURE. In said Hotel, consisting of Parlor, Sitting, and Reading Rooms, and the Contents of 42 Bed Rooms.

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New Advertisements.

TINSMITH WANTED IMMEDIATELY. None but first-class Workmen need apply. Good wages and constant employment. Apply to Mr. J. H. Mills & Goodfellow.

WORKING MEN'S CLUB. An Entertainment will be given in the large rooms of the Club, at 8 o'clock, THIS EVENING.

JOHN CORN, CORN, BEST QUALITY. For sale cheap at DAVIS & MURTON'S, Gordon St. across the G. E. R.

SKATING CARNIVAL. As the ice is in excellent order, a Fancy Dress Skating Carnival will take place at the Curling Ring.

BOARD AND LODGING. A few gentlemen can be accommodated with Board and Lodging at Mrs. THORNTON'S, Waterloo Street, Guelph.

WANTED, First and Second Quality, 1 1/2 and 2 inch Pine and Plank. STEPHEN BULL, Builder.

FIRST-CLASS SAND FOR SALE. The undersigned offers for sale, either at the pit, or delivered when required, First-class sand suitable for other Builders or Plasterers.

SITUATION WANTED. As salesman in a Dry Goods Store. Can speak both German and English. Twelve years experience. Testimonials can be produced, and security given if required.

H. H. PASS, Painter, Glazier and Paper Hanger. All orders promptly attended to.

Peter Byrne Estate! Will be offered by auction at the Market House, Town of Guelph, on Wednesday, the 27th March, INST. AT NOON.

TANNERY FOR SALE OR TO RENT. The subscriber will either sell or rent his Tannery, on Surrey Street, Guelph.

WAGON MAKER WANTED IMMEDIATELY. Good wages and steady employment to a competent man. Apply to James Laing, Blacksmith, Morrison St.

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869. In the matter of JOHN McNEIL, of Guelph, An Insolvent.

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On Tuesday, 12th of March, 1872. THE FURNITURE. In said Hotel, consisting of Parlor, Sitting, and Reading Rooms, and the Contents of 42 Bed Rooms.

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Guelph Evening Mercury

WEDNESDAY EVENING, MARCH 6, 1872. RAILWAY TIME TABLE. Grand Trunk Railway. Trains leave Guelph as follows:

4:22 a.m.; 9:50 a.m.; 6 p.m.; 8:30 p.m. To London, Goderich, and Detroit. To Berlin, EAST.

Great Western - Guelph Branch. Going South - 5:50 a.m., 1:15 p.m., 4:40 p.m. For Hamilton; 4:55 p.m.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE. Although it is not yet decided whether the Ontario Agricultural College will be located in the vicinity of Guelph or not, yet it can be proved beyond a doubt that G. B. Fraser is selling goods very cheap.

TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS. THIRTY-FIVE deaths from small-pox in Montreal last week. THE WHEAT has a poor appearance in the fall of the recent thaws and frosts.

OUR cable despatches announce the death of the Right Hon. Sir William Lowther, Earl of Lonsdale, in the 85th year of his age.

LATE AGENTS. The Grand Trunk morning express from Toronto due at 10 o'clock did not arrive till 11 o'clock. Cause of delay unknown.

A MEETING will be held in Berlin on the 7th to devise ways and means for the extension of the Galt & Waterloo Railway to Drayton or Listowel.

THE NATIONAL HOTEL, occupied by Messrs. Putman & Rodgers, Aylmer, Ont., with part of contents, was totally destroyed by fire on Sunday night.

ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON the large still owned by the Ontario Carbon Oil Company, of Hamilton, caught fire and consumed a large quantity of oil - at least 2,000 barrels.

THE WEATHER, for the past three days, has been very cold, and this, the proverbial number, is generally accepted to be the forerunner of a change for more pleasant days.

SOUTH BRANT. At the Reform Convention, held at Brantford on Tuesday, Mr. Wm. Patterson, Mayor of that town, was nominated the Reform Candidate for the House of Commons.

NOTWITHSTANDING the extreme cold on Monday, we learn that Mr. Geo. H. Carter's sale went off well, and the bidding spirited. Mr. Walter West bought a horse for \$152, and a Mr. Wm. Whitlaw a cow for \$61.

RAILWAY MEETING. A meeting in connection with the proposed railway from Guelph to Orangeville will be held to-night in the Queen's Hotel, at 8 o'clock.

MR. J. G. BUCHANAN, for several years past editor of the Hamilton Times, formerly connected with the Spectator, has left that city to fill the position on the Hamilton Reporter, vacated by the resignation of Mr. Matheson.

DEED. We are exceedingly pained to hear that a telegram arrived to-day (Wednesday) announcing the death of Mr. John Grant, late Express and Telegraph Agent in Guelph.

ANOTHER IMPORTATION OF FOWLS. Mr. F. Sturdy has just received another importation of first-class fowls, consisting of Aylderby Ducks, Roman Ducks, which took first prizes at Worcester, Whitchy, Colchester, and other Shows.

WEDNESDAY from the Galt Reformer that last week the members of Union Church Choir, led by Mr. Maitland's house and possession, with an address expressing their appreciation of his services as President of the choir.

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BY TELEGRAPH

THIS MORNING'S DESPATCHES. The Japanese Embassy. The Pacific Railway Under Blockade. The French Debt. Strange Affairs.

Washington, March 5. - The Government to-night gave a grand reception to the Japanese Embassy at the Masonic Temple.

Salt Lake City, March 4. - The situation on the Union Pacific Railroad is discouraging. The heavy snows are rapidly thawing, and creeks and water courses are rising, and have already swept away the track in several places.

New York, March 6. - A society has been organized in this city to obtain funds to liquidate the French debt with money, which during the late war was so active in securing food and clothing for the French soldiers as the leading spirit.

Pond-keeping, N. Y., March 5. - A man was found at Hall's Corners, West Chester Co., last night, apparently frozen to death. The body was taken to Tarrytown, and the coroner from Hastings held an inquest over it.

THE COLLINGWOOD DEPUTATION. The Monitor comments upon the visit of the Collingwood deputation to Hamilton. The article which is published to-day, is a history of our plans and leaders, of public questions and measures; but it gives a minute and correct account of the history of many of the pioneer settlers, their struggles and privations, their mode of living, the routes of travel by land and water, the many expeditions they had to resort to in their every day life.

A LUCKY ESCAPE. The Owen Sound Times tells a good story. A young man residing in one of the Townships of South Grey wood and won a fair one resident in the history of the settlement of this Province, should procure a copy. The agent, Mr. Mitchell, is now in town, and will call on our citizens to subscribe to the work.

PREPARING THERE SEEDS FOR PLANTING. As long as the cold, freezing weather continues, hard seed and nuts may be prepared for planting next spring. It is very often the case that a few nuts or other coarse seed have been laid aside in the fall and neglected, until they become so dry and hard that there would be little chance of growing if planted in the same condition next spring.

HORRORS OF THE PERSIAN FAMINE. The Bombay Gazette of January 22 states that heartrending details continue to be received of the sufferings of the people in the famine-stricken districts of Persia.

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MARCH FAIR.

This fair was held to-day - one of the coldest of the season, accompanied by a keen wind and a rendered attendance at the market very inconsiderable, both for man and beast.

Buyers from Toronto, Hamilton, Montreal, &c. were present in considerable numbers, but the quality of the stock was such that most of the purchases were made on Canadian account.

Indeed the state of the New York market is still of such a nature as to offer but little inducement to shippers from this side. We were informed by one dealer that no less than 449 car loads left Buffalo for Albany last week, and in consequence he ventured the prophecy that prices to-day that they will next week.

Prices ranged from 3 to 4 1/2 cts; and in only one instance did we learn that the latter figure had been reached, the seller remarking that he had scarcely ever realized so low a price for animals of similar quality.

There were several yokes of oxen on the ground for which the owners asked from \$130 to \$145, but we did not hear of any sales. The Market Square was unusually destitute of transactions between buyer and seller.

W. Whitlaw sold to J. McQuinn 1 yoke of oxen for \$125; J. Fry, do, 2 cows, \$87; G. Smith, cow and calf, \$29; John Roberts, cow, \$28; Donald Cameron, Puslinch, 2 cows, \$80.

THE SETTLEMENT OF UPPER CANADA, BY DR. CANNIFF. We have lately glanced at this new work, by Dr. Canniff, of Toronto, and published by Messrs. A. Dudge & Co., of that city.

It is the fullest and most complete history of the Settlement of our Province which has yet appeared. The author has carefully collated his information, and presented it in a most attractive shape as far as style is concerned.

It is therefore very readable and at times intensely interesting. Not only does it furnish us with a history of our plans and leaders, of public questions and measures; but it gives a minute and correct account of the history of many of the pioneer settlers, their struggles and privations, their mode of living, the routes of travel by land and water, the many expeditions they had to resort to in their every day life.

It is a well written account of some of the U. E. Loyalists, a very full history of the settlement of the Bay of Quinte, a pretty full account of the Indians then inhabiting the country. The author is intensely loyal, and defends with zeal and ability the conduct and character of the heroic colonists who preferred banishment to disloyalty.

The work is admirably arranged and contains a vast amount of valuable information, which every resident of Canada should be acquainted with. It is well printed, handsomely bound, and contains 700 pages. Every one who wants to become well acquainted with the history of the settlement of this Province, should procure a copy.

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Puslinch Council.

The Municipal Council met pursuant to adjournment, on the 26th of Feb. in the Town Hall. Present - the Reeve, Mr. Smith, Mr. Caulfield, and Mr. Sprehn, elected in consequence of Mr. Stewart's resignation, having made the necessary declaration, took his seat. The Reeve in the chair. The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by Mr. Caulfield, that the following applicants be granted certificates to obtain a License to keep a house of public entertainment for the current year, viz., James A. Farrell, George Wakefield, Jas. B. Mitchell, Jacob Keracher, Maria Barber, Edward Tyrrell, and Wm. Perrie. Carried. Moved by Mr. Caulfield, seconded by Mr. Sprehn, that the following parties be granted certificates to enable them to keep a house of public entertainment, viz., G. Tremble, Geo. Martin, Francis Swartzburg, Mrs. Burns and Mary Hamilton. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Caulfield, that the retirement of Allan McIntyre as hall-keeper be accepted, and that Malcolm McBeath, be appointed to fill said office for the current year. Carried. Moved by Mr. Caulfield, seconded by Mr. Sprehn, that Max Parks be granted a certificate to enable him to keep a house of public entertainment for the current year. Carried. Moved by Mr. Sprehn, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the petitions of Wm. Evans and Wm. Thomson for aid to make and repair roads, be referred until a Committee be appointed to examine and report the same for the consideration of the Council. Carried. Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sprehn, that this Council pay to John Marhall the sum of \$6 per month for the support of Helen Lamont, for the term of six months, and that he pay the same to Helen Lamont as her necessities may require, and the Reeve give his order for the same. Carried. Moved by Mr. Sprehn, seconded by Mr. Caulfield, that a By-law be introduced for the appointment of certain Township Officers, and that it be now read a first and second time. Carried. Moved by Mr. Caulfield, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the By-law for appointing certain Township Officers be now read a third time and passed. Carried. Moved by Mr. Sprehn, seconded by Mr. Caulfield, that the account of Messrs. Rowland and Hutchison, Stationers, Toronto, amounting to \$8 85 be paid and that the Reeve give his order for the same. Carried. Moved by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sprehn, that this Council adjourn until Monday the 6th of May, then to meet as a Court of Revision at 10 o'clock, and the Council will be constituted at 2 p. m. for ordinary business. Carried. Overseers of Highways - Jas. McEldown, Joseph Grant, Neil Campbell, Malcolm Clark, Andrew McRobbie, Michael Farrell, Robert Buchanan, Wm. Kirkland, Hamilton Laird, Joseph Lynch, Martin Lynch, Jas. Phalen, Thos. Lynch, John Lennie, Robt. Brown, Thos. Kernighan, John Budel, Jas. Evans, Wm. Evans, Jas. Carter, Patrick Moran, Robert Cassin, Donald McLennan, Neil McLean, Alex. McKellar, Wm. McQuinn, John Blair, Peter McKennon, Donald Ferguson, Lachin McMillan, Alex. Parks, Peter Gilchrist, D. McMillan, Jas. Stewart, John Dickie, T. Collins, R. Little, W. S. Evans, J. Atkins, N. Cober, M. McCormick, J. McPherson, K. Cameron, D. Stewart, W. Cowan, Sen. D. McEwen, John Stewart, M. McNaughton, John McGeachy, Wm. Stewart, Alex. McCaig, Alex. Cowie, Matthew Faugher, Charles Callas, George Dotis, Alex. McFarlane, John Black, Philip Hanlon, Wm. Gerrie, Archibald Gilchrist, F. W. Stone, Wm. Rae, Duncan Gilchrist, Wm. Wilson, Andrew Hagarty, Matthew Elliott, Senr., John McLean, Charles Heath, Jas. Sutton, Wm. Snyder, Daniel Easton, Robt. Beattie, Patrick Halligan, David Watt, Kenneth McKenzie, Charles Willoughby, John Eife, Wm. Moore, Jas. Mooney, John Moorey, Jas. Orme, Jas. Hamilton, Dun Stewart, John Gratton, John Hee, Ebenezer Landon, Jas. Macklin, Duncan McKenzie, Peter Grant Jr., Robt. Higgins, Allan McIntyre, Senr., Jas. McLaren, John Smith, John Black, Jas. McLeish, Robert Watson, John McKenzie, Wm. Wilson, Thos. Willoughby, Robt. Forbes, Jacob Keracher, Edward Tyrrell, Francis Swartzburg, W. E. May.

R. T. Johnston Tp. Clerk.

Maple Sugar. Last spring painting a lot of new covers for sap-buckets it occurred to me to make one side red and the other white. The object is this: in gathering sap where the trees are close together, and of course not in rows, it often puzzles a man to tell which trees he has visited. It is hardly still if two or three men gather to one team, or when you have to go into empty the barrels, or when night suspends the work until the next morning. The best local memory needs some help. Now, if when tapping you place all the covers red side up, for instance, and at the first gathering turn each covering white side up when you take sap from the bucket, there never will be any uncertainty. You will never need to run to a tree the second time, nor miss one. You can tell ten rods off, by the color of the cover whether there is sap in the pail. Each gathering will change the colour of all the covers. If one does not wish the expense of planing and painting both sides, a simple dab of red paint on one side will answer the purpose. One stroke of the brush will do. Still the covers ought to be planed and painted on both sides, to keep them from soaking water, and from warping in the sun; and they can just as easily be painted different colors on different sides. They ought to be turned over, too, at each gathering, or they will warp in time, even if painted. So this device makes no extra expense or work, and saves many steps and a much leaving of sap. - W. I. Chamberlain, Hudson, O. in American Agriculturist.

CONCERT AT ROCKWOOD. - The concert in aid of the organ fund of St. John's church came off in the Town Hall on Thursday night last. There was a very fair attendance. Messrs M. P. and C. Strange, Miss M. Conlon, Messrs McMillan, Burns, Treffer, and Hewatt took part in the concert, and the music, both vocal and instrumental, was excellent and gave great satisfaction. We are glad to learn that the committee realized sufficient, after paying all expenses; to clear all the debt on the organ.

WHEELS ON A PULLMAN CAR. - A set of paper wheels on a Pullman car have run 100,000 miles, and worn out their steel tires. Cast-iron wheels will run only 60,000 miles.